

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly replace the claims of record with the following full set of claims:

- 1.-5. (Canceled).
6. (Currently amended) A method of enabling a user interface device to retrieve information and applications on a network comprising the steps of:
retrieving content from one or more data sources, and
presenting the retrieved content to the user interface device, wherein the retrieved content presented to a user includes information concerning network applications and/or services, said information being retrieved being based on the basis of a dedicated and searchable meta data category relating to and provided by the network application and/or service, wherein said meta data category includes a task-description language application to specify types of network applications and services, the meta data category describes the functionality of said applications and services ~~network site~~ as one or more functional identifiers.
7. (Currently amended) The method of claim 6, further comprising the steps of:
analysing an input user query to detect a desire for retrieving network applications and/or services, and
retrieving content from one or more data sources that match the user query and presenting the retrieved content to the user interface device.
8. (Currently amended) The method according to claim 6, wherein the step of retrieving content from one or more data sources further comprises the step of:
filtering content and applications from said one or more data sources to match such content with a user query or user profile.

9. (Currently amended) The method according to claim 6, wherein the user interface device is a web browser configured to deliver information to the user based on a user profile, so as to personalise ~~[[the]]~~ a portal.

10. (Currently amended) The method according to claim 9, wherein the user profile is constructed based upon implicit feedback from information originating from the user and delivered by the web browser.

11. (Currently amended) The method according to claim 6, wherein ~~in the step of retrieving content~~, said content is retrieved based ~~directly~~ upon a user query and such content includes one or more links to application and/or service providers identified by said one or more functional identifiers.

12. (Currently amended) A computer readable medium for storing code for enabling a user interface device to retrieve information and applications on a network said computer readable medium comprising:
code for retrieving content from one or more data sources, and
code for presenting the retrieved content to the user interface device,
wherein the retrieved content presented to a user includes information concerning network applications and/or services, said information being retrieved being based on the ~~basis of~~ a dedicated and searchable meta data category relating to network application and/or service types, wherein said meta data category includes a task-description language application to specify types of network applications and services that describe the functionality of said applications and services ~~network site~~ as one or more functional identifiers.